

Customized PTO/SB/22 (08-03)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))	Application #	09/709,421
	Confirmation #	4291
	Filing Date	November 13, 2000
	First Inventor	NIVET
	Art Unit	2121
	Examiner	R. Patel
	Docket #	P06978US00/RFH

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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) are as follows.

___ NOTE: Applicant has previously claimed or now claims small entity status.

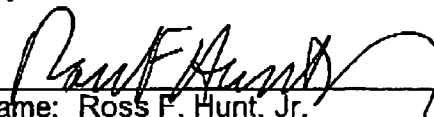
No extension of time previously obtained. <u>Extension requested:</u>		
	<u>Large Entity Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 110 \$ 55
..... Two months \$ 420 \$ 210
..... Three months \$ 950 \$ 475
..... Four months \$ 1480 \$ 740
..... Five months \$ 2010 \$ 1005

☒ Payment of \$110.00 is made by attached CREDIT CARD PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION (PTO-2038). If no payment or an insufficient payment is enclosed and a fee is due in connection herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or additional fee due in connection herewith to Deposit Account No. 12-0555.

☒ If a further petition for extension of time (EOT) is required at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an EOT of as many months as are required to ensure that the application is pending on the date that this petition is filed. Any fee due in connection with this petition is authorized in the preceding paragraph.

Date: February 24, 2004

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